

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 5

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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF: SE-GI

October 25, 2011

Ms. Kimberly Jenkins Department of Code Enforcement City of Indianapolis 1200 Madison Ave., Ste. 100 Indianapolis, IN 46225

Dear Ms. Jenkins:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) is planning to conduct response activities at the West Vermont-Cossell Road Site in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. § 9601 et seq., and the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan, 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 300. The response actions directly address actual or potential releases of hazardous substances on Site, which may pose an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health, or welfare, and the environment.

EPA's proposed actions include conducting a hydrogeologic investigation to identify the source(s) of contamination in the West Vermont-Cossell area to include advancement of soil borings and installation of temporary piezometers and/or monitoring wells. The attached map shows the boundaries of the Site and locations EPA plans to drill. EPA plans to drill in the city road right-of-ways along West Michigan Street, Holt Road, West Cossell Road, West Vermont Street, and Tomlinson Street.

Under Section 121(e)(1) of CERCLA, "[n]o Federal, State, or local permit shall be required for the portion of any removal ... action conducted entirely on-site." However, EPA will comply with any substantive requirements of the permit if those requirements are identified in a timely manner. EPA plans to initiate on-Site removal actions on or after November 8, 2011.

If you have any questions, please call me at (317) 417-0980.

Sincerely,

Shelly Lam, LPG Federal On-Scene Coordinator

cc: Thomas Nash, C-14J

Randy Kirkland, Weston Solutions

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